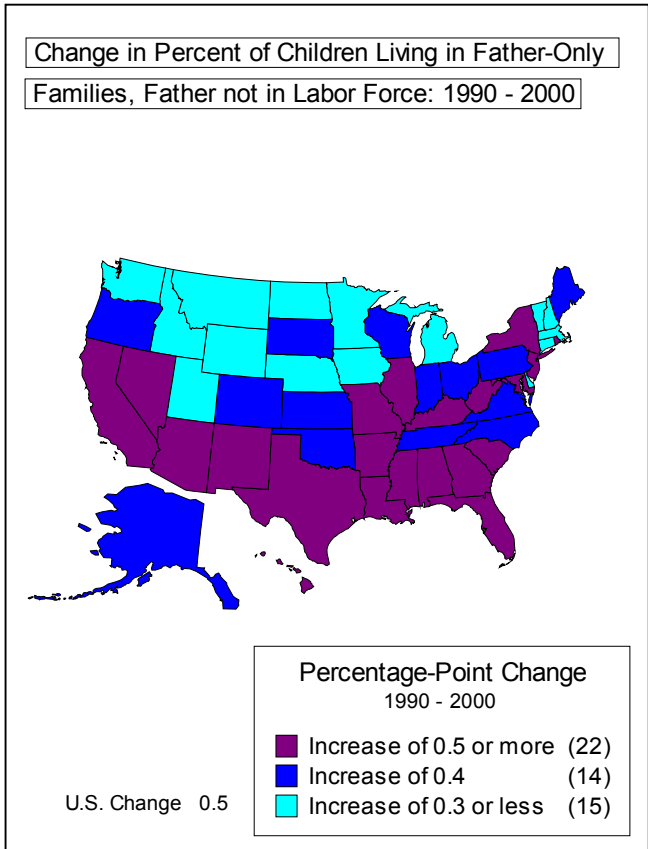
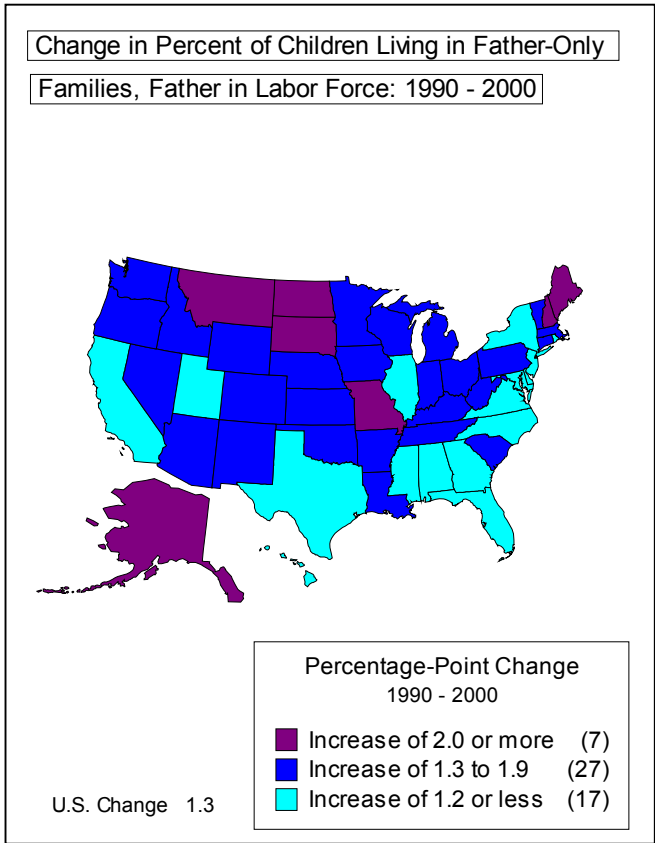
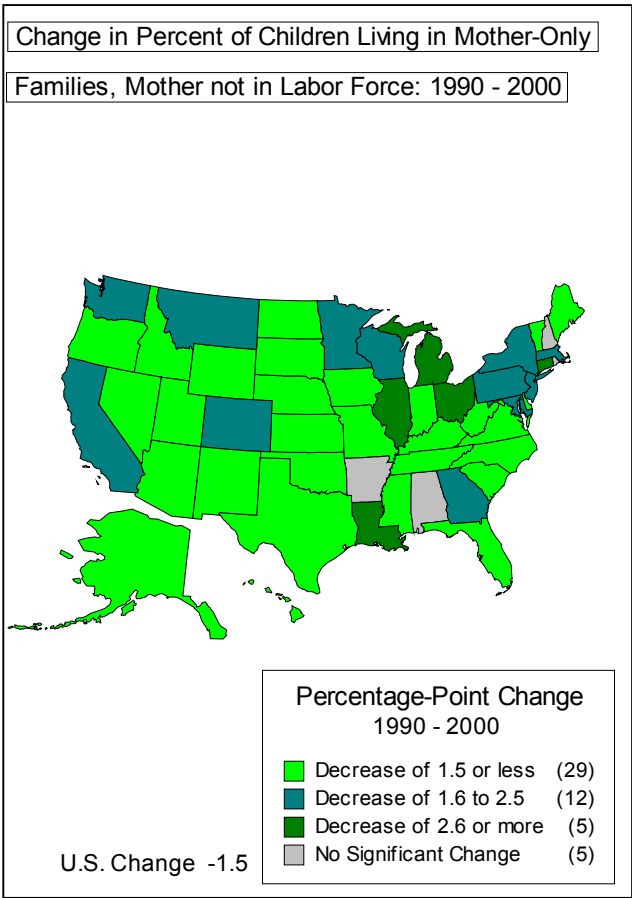
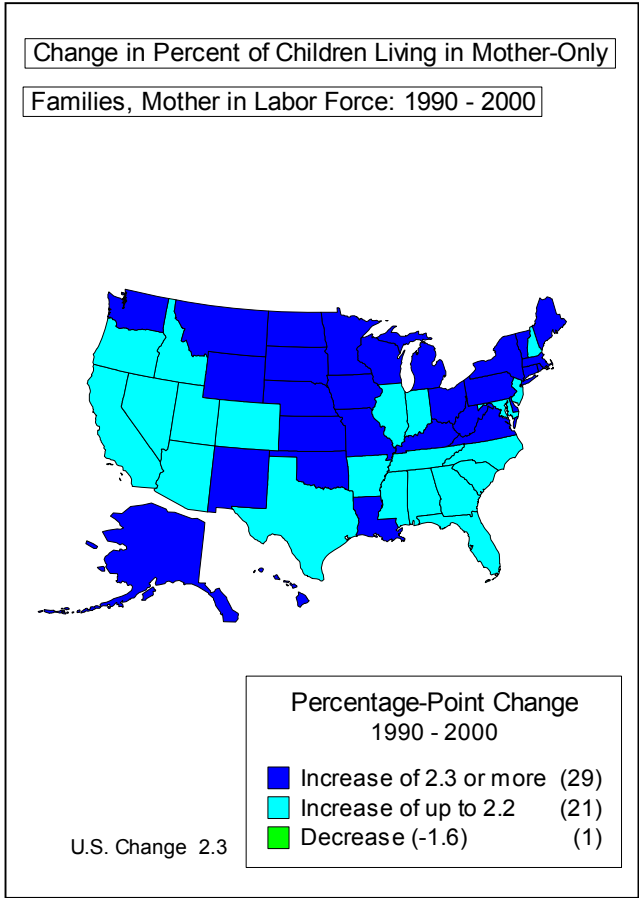


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- In 2000, a little over one-quarter of all children lived with a single parent, having increased 2.7 percentage points during the decade. A majority of children in single-parent families were living with a parent in the labor force.

- Nationally, the proportion of children in all but one of these family types increased, reflecting the overall increase in children in single-parent families over the decade. The arrangement that decreased was that of children living with a mother who was not in the labor force. It decreased by 1.5 percentage points.

- The Southern and Western regions had increases in the percentage of children living with single mothers in the labor force that were below the national average.

- All but five of the states saw decreases in the proportion of their children living in mother-only families where the mother was not in the labor force. More than half of states had decreases smaller than the national average.

- Every state and the District of Columbia had increases in children living in father-only family groups, both where the father worked and where he did not.